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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket Nos. EA-159 and EA-161]

Applications to Export Electric Energy; Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and PSI Energy, Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Applications.

SUMMARY: Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and PSI Energy Inc., both FERC regulated public utility companies, have submitted applications to export electric energy to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

DATES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before December 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-5883 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)).

On October 9, 1997, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of

Energy (DOE) received a joint application for authorization to export electric energy to Canada, pursuant to section 202(e) of the FPA, from Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (CG&E) and PSI Energy, Inc. (PSI). A single application for these two entities was submitted because the two companies collectively are the "Cinergy Operating Companies." However, each company will require a separate export authorization. By letter, on October 14, 1997, the applicants clarified their request and ask that each be issued an export authorization.

Each company is a regulated public utility. CG&E, an Ohio corporation, and PSI, an Indiana corporation, each propose to sell electric energy to Canada that is either excess to its system or purchased from electric utilities or other suppliers within the U.S.

The applicants would arrange for the exported energy to be transmitted to Canada over the international facilities owned by Basin Electric, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Detroit Edison Company, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power and Light Company, Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. Each of the transmission facilities, as more fully described in the joint application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

Procedural Matters

Any persons desiring to become a party to these proceedings or to be heard by filing comments or protests to these applications should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of such petitions and protests should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above. Comments on Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's request to export to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-159. Comments of PSI's request to export to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-161. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Michael E. Martin, VP, Power Marketing & Trading, Cinergy Services, Inc., 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202; Stephen G.

Kozey, Senior Counsel, Cinergy Services, Inc., 1000 East Main Street, Plainfield, IN 46168; AND John S. Moot, Nancy D. Baird, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, 1440 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

A final decision will be made on these applications after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed actions will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of these applications will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above.

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Anthony J. Como,

Manager, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal and Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal and Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP96-213-000, et al.]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Site Visits

October 24, 1997.

The Office of Pipeline Regulation (OPR) will conduct site visits, with representatives of Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, of the following portions of the Market Expansion Project on the dates indicated:

November 3-4, 1997—Glady Storage Field facilities in Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, West Virginia and the Terra Alta and Terra Alta South Storage Field facilities in Preston County, West Virginia.

November 4-5, 1997—Line V-50 Replacement in Mahoning County, Ohio and the Crawford and Laurel Storage Field facilities in Hocking County, Ohio.

All interested parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation.

For further information, please contact Paul McKee at (202) 208-1088.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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